

Nomination of the Chairman—Chittur Municipality.

220. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state what are the reasons why the Government has assumed the right of nominating the Chairman of the Municipal Council of Chittur-Tattamangalam; was there any inquiry in the matter; if so, will a copy of the report be placed on the table of the House?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—As the Government were informed of certain irregularities in the administration of the Chittur-Tattamangalam Municipal Council this right has been assumed as a temporary measure. Enquiries are being conducted.

221. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state what are the special reasons that prompted the Government to deprive the Municipalities of Mattancheri and Chittur-Tattamangalam of their right of electing their own Chairmen?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Government have not deprived the Mattancheri Municipal Council of the power of electing their own Chairman. The power was resumed once; but it was restored before the general elections in 1106. As regards the reasons for resuming this right from the Chittur-Tattamangalam Council, vide answer to question No. 220 of the present Council Sitting.

Criminal Revision Petitions 41 to 43 of 1105, Chief Court.

222. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state if the attention of the Government was drawn to the remarks of the Chief Judge of the Chief Court in Criminal Revision Petitions 41 to 43 of 1105 (Sanitary Inspector, Trichur, versus Inchodi Iyyappan);

(b) if not, will the Government be pleased to peruse the same and will a copy of the same be placed on the table of the House;

(c) who was responsible for these prosecutions;

(d) did the Chairman apply to the Diwan under S. O. 81 for an opportunity to defend his conduct;

(e) if so, will a copy of the letter be placed on the table of the House;

(f) and what was the reply given by the Diwan in the matter;

(g) does the Government propose to take any action in the matter?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.